

# FOSTER INSISTS TO QUESTIONS CONCERNING AUTO PATROL

Answers a statement by a representative of the American Locomotive Company, published in the Times-Dispatch of Thursday, concerning the purchase of an auto patrol by the Board of Police Commissioners, Mr. L. M. Foster gave out the following yesterday:

"We note an article in the Times-Dispatch, December 24th, under the headline, 'Experts Answer Criticism of Car.' We fail to grasp the connection between this article and our letter, which was simply issued to the Board of Police Commissioners on December 24th, in which we asked them a few questions as to the method which they resorted to in selecting a car for police patrol purposes, and as they would not answer this letter, it was published in full in the Times-Dispatch on December 24th, and it has not as yet been answered.

"We know of no reason why the representatives of the American Locomotive Company should take any exception to our letter, as we did not attack them or their car in any manner. It simply criticized the Board of Police Commissioners in the matter of receiving bids and specifications for a particular type of car, and then purchasing a car of entirely different type and design upon the recommendation of experts, without asking for new bids and specifications on cars of that type, and allowing the experts, who came in as critics, to suggest the type of car required by the city, and to sell the same to them without further competition.

"We would again ask the Board of Police Commissioners if it is not a fact that the car which has been purchased by them from the American Locomotive Company is not a new car, but that it is one which has been used by them as a demonstrator car, and that it is not a fact that it was originally built and used as a touring car, and designed to carry from five to seven passengers, and was in no sense designed for police patrol purposes?

"It is not a fact that it is an invincible car for a police patrol wagon that we were instructed that your department would not consider any converted touring car proposition, but that you would consider a car designed and built for patrol purposes only?

"Is it not a fact also that your board called in two experts to advise you in making a selection between the 'Ford' car and the 'Franklin' car, which your committee had selected from the competitive bids, and that after criticizing these two cars, a proposition was made by them to the effect that they could furnish your board with just such a car as would embody all the desirable features which would be required in a police patrol wagon?

"Is it not a fact also that your board would not permit any of the dealers who had submitted bids to appear before your board to explain the merits of their cars, but that this courtesy was extended to the representatives of the American Locomotive Company?

"We wish to ask further at this time, is it not a fact that after you were advised by the representatives of the American Locomotive Company (who your board called as experts) that the cars which had been submitted to you were undesirable and unfit for police patrol purposes, that you purchased a car through them without asking for new specifications and prices from the former bidders?

"We have a right to demand an answer to the above questions, as we deem that it is not only a matter of public interest, but also due to the public, since the tendency of the story which was published in our paper on December 24th, which we refer to above, is to divert the reader from the real points at issue."

# AMUSEMENTS.

"The Test" Very Strong.

A problem play, with strong situations, all of the kind, and daring lines, and artistic from start to finish, and the curtain rises until it falls for the last time. Mr. Jules Ebbard Goodman's "The Test" is one of the cleverest plays that has been written for many a day. That some of the speeches are long, and that the stage people talk "talky-talk" is more in evidence than action, is only to say that the play is the work of an artist rather than of a mechanic.

Mr. Goodman's brain is so full of abundant thought, his pen runs so rapidly, that he has written the play in a few days.

# The Stomach Does Not Cause Dyspepsia

Neither Will It Cure It, Because the Lack of Gastric Juices Prohibits It.

The stomach is a strong, powerful organ, which, when it is healthy, is capable of great strength. It is filled during digestion with gastric juices which, when the stomach is healthy, are capable of digesting its food because it has not the tools with which to work successfully.

The gastric juices, when in a perfect state, do away with all foul odors, fermentation and decay, reduce the food to a disintegrated mass, and the stomach then presses it into the intestines, where another form of digestion takes place. When the stomach is not healthy, it is unable to do this, and the food remains in the stomach, and the result is dyspepsia.

It is a mistake to suppose that the stomach is the cause of dyspepsia. The stomach is a powerful organ, and it is capable of doing its work. It is the lack of gastric juices which causes dyspepsia. When the stomach is healthy, it is capable of digesting its food because it has not the tools with which to work successfully.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets correct such a condition at once. If the gastric juices are lacking and imperfect, these tablets do their work just the same. They build up the elements in the juice which are lacking and remove those elements which cause disturbance.

Meat, grains, fruits, vegetables and all other food, when taken in a large meal have been placed in a glass jar and Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets have been added to them. The result is a perfect meal, and the stomach is able to digest it.

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lady to delightful and brilliant phrases and his soul seems so bent on outbursts of "problems," that in the matter of things he has sacrificed the old cut and dried action of stage life to the more literary dignity of speech. In "The Right to Live," Mr. Goodman followed this literary instinct to such an extent that the play, as a play, failed to capture the admiration of the ordinary theatre-goer, but in "The Test" there is enough action to carry the play along, so that there can be no doubt that this later production will win not only fame but fortune.

There is scarcely a moment when some character in "The Test" has not words in his mouth which simply make you sit up and grip hard, and with it all there is a smoothness of rhythm and a cleverness of touch that show the scholar and artist.

Miss Blanche Walsh, as Emma Elroy, is as always, quiet and forceful, while Mr. George W. Howard, as Arthur Thorne, plays most acceptably. One of the cleverest parts, however, was taken by Mr. N. Sheldon Lewis, who seemed to fit into Mr. Goodman's problem with greater accuracy than any one else. Mr. Lewis seemed to have been a player in the old stock company here, and by his work in "Sweet Lavender" and "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" gave promise of the excellent work which he exhibited yesterday. It is not often that a play in these modern times teaches a great lesson, but Mr. Goodman has not only told a great story, but has told it in a way that appeals to the heart as well as to the mind.

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# MILITIA ON SCENE

Governor Willson Acts Promptly to Suppress Rioting in Kentucky.

KY., Dec. 26.—Two companies of State militia are on their way to Stearns to-night, sent by Governor Willson upon request of the Stearns Coal and Lumber Company, whose \$200,000 plant has been threatened by the striking miners. Following the battle of yesterday, in which United States marshal and one of the miners were killed. While the town has been quiet all to-day, the threats to destroy the big plant with the coming night have alarmed the people, and the officials of the company concluded to take no chances. One company of the State guards left Somerset at 7 o'clock to-night for this place and another left Lexington at 10 P. M. There are about twenty-five men in each militia company.

Deputy Marshal Ryan, missing since yesterday's battle with the miners, has not been found, and it is feared he met death at the hands of the rioters. Berry Simpson, who owned the hotel in which the fight occurred, and which building was burned, escaped into the mountains, and is being protected there, it is thought, by his friends. He is alleged to have been the leader of the strikers.

It is believed that at least five men were burned to death in the hotel, as the miners, who were in the building when the blaze and fighting began, were very slow in getting out. A search is in progress. The men killed yesterday were Officer Mullins and Richard Jones. Ten miners and one negro have been wounded in the two fights.

# CLUBMAN DIES

Succumbs After Unusual Erection in Game of Ice Hockey.

WOBURN, MASS., December 26.—John C. Proctor, of Boston, manager of the White Stocking Club of Boston, and prominent in society and club life in Reading and Boston, died suddenly following unusual exertion in a game of ice hockey.

Mr. Proctor came to Mishawum pond in this city with members of the Reading Golf Club to play hockey with a local team. After the game was over he felt unwell and died within a few minutes as a result of cerebral hemorrhage. He was thirty-nine years old.

# Cnn Vanquish Hog Cholera.

COLUMBIA, MO., December 26.—As a result of perfecting a serum that is an antidote against hog cholera, the Missouri Agricultural College issued a statement to-day guaranteeing the State Legislature that with an appropriation of \$100,000 a year it will save the farmers of Missouri from \$1,000,000 to \$5,000,000 annually. The agricultural college announced unequivocally that it was prepared to vanquish hog cholera.

The serum is drawn from what is known as a hyperimmunized hog, the blood being removed, so as to prevent clotting. The serum is treated with small quantities of carbolic acid.

# Death of Dr. Hill.

BALTIMORE, MD., December 26.—After an illness of nearly three months from progressive paralysis and a tumor of the brain, Dr. William Nevill Hill, who became famous here through his crusade against mosquitoes, died last night at the Sheppard and Enoch Pratt Hospital. At the hospital to-day an autopsy was held on the body of Dr. Hill, as he had requested just before he died. It was not positively known that he had a tumor of the brain, although it was generally supposed by the physicians that it was a tumor from which he was suffering.

# Isaac Man Fires Jail.

NASHVILLE, TENN., December 26.—James R. Coulter, an insane prisoner, in the Smith county jail at Carthage, set fire to bedding in his cell last night after the prisoners had retired. He was probably fatally burned, and three other prisoners were taken out unconscious from smoke.

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# MERELY GROTESQUE

French Press So Look Upon the Attack Upon President Fallieres.

PARIS, December 26.—The entire French press to-day devotes a large space to a discussion of the attempted assault upon President Fallieres yesterday.

The Matin says that the attack upon the President has been made the subject of investigation by authorized representatives of French Monarchist party. "The act," according to the journal, "met with extreme disapprobation among the Bonapartists. Count de Girardin, special secretary of Prince Napoleon, declared that the act was the fullest demonstration of a man whose mind was unbalanced."

Marquis de Rosambo, principal leader of the Monarchist party, without approving of the attack, said that the aggressor deceived himself if he believed that he would be able to reach the republic by attacking Fallieres, though he probably acted honestly on this conviction.

With the exception of the Monarchist-Nationalist journals, the press finds the act of the President's assailant merely grotesque. The republican papers think that the occurrence should put an end to the agitation aiming to create a reactionary minority.

# HARVARD FOLLOWS SUIT

Invites German Students to Pass Period of Study at University.

[Special Cable to the Times-Dispatch.]  
BERLIN, December 26.—The example of Bryn Mawr Academy, near Philadelphia, in inviting German students to pass a period of study in America at its expense, in pursuance of the exchange idea, has been followed by Harvard University. The President, Minister of Education to name five advanced students drawn from the various German universities to accept the hospitality of the Cambridge Institution every year.

The offer continues for ten years.

# WOMEN WANT PATENTS

Two of English Nobility Ask Protection for Utility Devices.

[Special Cable to the Times-Dispatch.]  
LONDON, December 26.—Two consecutive applications for patents at the Patent Office came from two women of high title. The first, a patent for a muffle, was filed by Lady Amherst, of Hackney, whose husband's fine library has just been sold at auction, the earl having lost about \$125,000 through the work of a defaulting solicitor.

The second patent was taken out by the Princess Anne, widow of Prince Ludwig, of Lowenstein-Wertheim, and a half-sister of Lord Mexborough. She asks for protection for improvements on self-leveling coats, trunks, etc., which are used aboard ship.

# OBJECTS TO "DEAR SIR"

British Baronet Is Annoyed at Manner of Treatment of Title.

[Special Cable to the Times-Dispatch.]  
LONDON, December 26.—The British baronet has long been annoyed at the fashion in which his title is treated. He claims that it does not receive the respect to which it is entitled. A few years ago a society of baronets was formed, with a view to securing fuller recognition of this class, which is less than noble, but more than knightly, by the British aristocracy.

One well-known baronet, however, has taken the matter into his own hands. He has issued a printed notice expressing the strong feeling of the baronets at the expression "dear sir," being constantly used in commencing letters by their servants as well as in letters received by themselves. He says it is not only incongruous, but discourteous to the members of an ancient hereditary degree. He asks his correspondents in future to accord him his title, and to commence their letters "Sir Baronet."

# FOR AMERICAN TRADE

German Ambassador Will be Principal Speaker at Annual Dinner.

[Special Cable to the Times-Dispatch.]  
BERLIN, December 26.—Dr. David Jay, H. H. the American Ambassador to Germany, will be the principal guest at the dinner of the American Association of Commerce and Trade here on Monday night. Numerous consuls and vice-consuls representing the United States in all parts of this country will be present.

A plan to hold monthly meetings of the association is under consideration at Hamburg, where there are many monthly affairs presided over by one of the directors of the board. Another suggestion is that the entire board of directors should meet at regular intervals in Hamburg.

A third plan now before the association is a provision for a proper library of American literature, chiefly commercial, Berlin is sadly lacking in this respect.

# Sentenced to Prison.

PARIS, December 26.—The eleventh chamber of the Correctional Tribunal to-day sentenced Mandeville de Marigny Hall to thirteen months imprisonment for a burglary. He was extradited from London on the charge of giving a bad check in the purchase of an automobile.

# Killed While Coning.

WILKESBARRE, PA., December 26.—In a coasting accident on a steep hill in this city tonight William Klein was killed.

# HISTORICAL DECORATIONS

German Steamship, Named for George Washington, to Be Historical.

BERLIN, December 26.—The North German Lloyd Steamship Company has commissioned Herr Bollhagen, the celebrated painter, to procure for the America accurate historical data and local color for a series of pictures dealing with the life and the time of George Washington. The pictures are to be used for the interior decoration of their new liner, the George Washington, which is to be christened by Ambassador Hill at Statin on November 10th.

# OUTBREAK IN RUSSIA

Chief of Secret Police Killed and Others Are Wounded.

MOSCOW, Dec. 26.—Baron Cote, chief of the secret police, was killed and Colonel Muraki, was wounded in a fierce encounter to-day with revolutionists who were entrenched in a suburban villa.

During the fight several policemen were killed and others were wounded. Troops were summoned to the aid of the police and a regular battle ensued.

Artillery had finally to be brought up to bombard the villa before the revolutionists were subdued.

The occurrence is the most serious since the uprising of December, 1905. The villa, where the fighting took place, occupies a strategic position on Elk island, an inlet in the river near Moscow that is a favorite summer resort. The leaders of a revolutionary organization were holding a meeting in the house. The police got wind of the affair and surrounded the villa with the purpose of making arrests. As they approached the house the revolutionists opened fire. This resistance was unexpected and the police withdrew. Then infantry was sent for, and with this reinforcement a second advance was made. The police and the soldiers had to retire a second time, and it was in this encounter that Baron Cote was killed and Colonel Muraki wounded. Several soldiers also lost their lives.

When the artillery appeared a few well directed shots put an end to the trouble. The losses sustained by the revolutionists are not known, but they doubtless are heavy.

# SPECIAL NOTICE

**Mrs. Geo. B. Gaines,**  
...DRESSMAKING...

Wishes to announce to her former patrons and many friends that she can be found with the well-known house of

# J. B. MOSBY & CO., Inc.,

Where she will be pleased to serve her customers as formerly.

Your patronage and influence solicited,

Very respectfully,  
**MRS. GEO. B. GAINES.**

Second Floor, Annex.

# TO WED RICHMOND MAN



ALEX. MOSELEY TO WED COUNTESS

# FIRE LOSS FOR B. & O.

Mount Clare Hay and Wheat Depository Is Burned.

BALTIMORE, December 26.—At an early hour this morning a fire broke out in a building on the Mount Clare and Ohio Railroad, a frame building, covering the block bounded by Pratt, Scott, McHenry and Poppleton Streets. It contained large quantities of hay, chiefly loaded on cars.

For some time the iron foundry of Bartlett, Hayward & Co. and the box factory of Jacob Wheatfield were in imminent danger, but the firemen finally succeeded in confining the fire to the building in which it originated.

The loss on cars, buildings and contents is estimated at \$100,000. The origin of the fire is attributed to spontaneous combustion.

# COTTON MEN MEET.

Association of Workers Gets Together in Charlotte.

[Special Cable to the Times-Dispatch.]  
CHARLOTTE, N. C., December 26.—The first formal meeting of the Southern Textile Association, organized in this city two months ago by cotton mill superintendents, overseers, mill engineers and others identified with the textile industry in the Southern States, was held here to-day. In the absence of President J. A. Dean, of Spray, N. C., detained by illness, David Clark presided.

The chief address of the day was delivered by Mr. A. C. Barker, of the Department of Commerce and Labor, who emphasized the fact that Europe is far ahead of America in the utilization and manufacture of waste cotton products.

Mr. Clark has traveled extensively all over the world seeking new markets and studying the conditions confronting American textile manufacturers, and his address was of great value.

A number of addresses and a discussion of practical subjects filled out the program.

At the business session to-night, it was decided to hold an annual meeting and annual meetings, and Greenville, S. C., was chosen as the place for the next meeting and early in April the time.

# Attempt at Lynching.